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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT--NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR CALLS ON  
NSC

REF: LAGOS 2574

1. MARCH 9, AT HIS REQUEST, NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR JOLAOSO  
CALLED ON NSC (RICHARDSON, THORNTON AND INDERFURTH).  
JOLAOSO EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT  
ATTACHES TO A PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO KADAWA IRRIGATION  
PROJECT AND UNDERLINED OBASANJO'S PERSONAL INTEREST IN  
HAVING PRESIDENT SEE PROJECT. WHEN ASKED IF OBASANJO  
WOULD ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT, JOLAOSO SAID HE HAD NO  
INSTRUCTIONS. -

2. NSC STAFF EMPHASIZED THAT OUR RELUCTANCE TO VISIT  
KADAWA WAS BASED ON LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS IN MOVING PRESI-  
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DENT, STAFF AND SUBSTANTIAL PRESS PARTY FROM KANO TO  
KADAWA AND BACK. NSC SAID, IF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
COULD BE PROVIDED BY THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT ON HOW THE  
KADAWA VISIT COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED LOGISTICALLY, THIS  
INFORMATION WOULD BE CONSIDERED. NSC STAFF POINTED OUT,

HOWEVER, THAT THE KADAWA VISIT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED

EXTENSIVELY AND THERE SEEMED LITTLE POSSIBILITY THAT THE VISIT COULD BE ACCOMMODATED.

3. THE NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR ALSO SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND BEFORE THE PRE-ADVANCE TEAM ARRIVES, THOSE SCHEDULED ITEMS WHICH ARE CONFIRMED BY WASHINGTON. WE CAN CONFIRM THE FOLLOWING EVENTS: AIRPORT ARRIVAL AND DODAN ARRIVAL CEREMONY, BILATERAL MEETING, PRIVATE LUNCH, SPEECH, STATE BANQUET, NITA SPONSORED SPEECH, ISSUING BUT NOT NECESSARILY SIGNING OF COMMUNIQUE, AND DEPARTURE CEREMONY. WE WOULD LIKE TO DEFER THE QUESTION OF THE TAFAWA BALEWA WREATH-LAYING FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

4. YOUR 3010 HAS JUST ARRIVED AND WE WILL BE REPLYING BY SEPARATE MESSAGE. VANCE

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